

# **MINUTES of JANUARY 18, 2011**

**SELECTMEN'S MEETING  
Tuesday January 18, 2011 @ 7 P.M.  
H. BERNARD MONAHAN MEMORIAL ROOM  
TOWN HALL, 242 UNION STREET  
ROCKLAND, MASSACHUSETTS**

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## **OPEN FORUM**

1. **Open Session Minutes of January 3, 2011**  
~MOTION to approve Ms. O'Brien, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Kimball passed 5-0.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

2. **Senior Housing approval –Dr. Rogers**

**Dr. Rogers discussed the letter the BOS received from the Department of Housing & Community Development Associate Director Catherine Racer. Ms. Racer is requesting the BOS comment on the application within 30 days.**

**~MOTION to endorse the project by Mr. Kimball, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ms. O'Brien passed 5-0.**

**~MOTION to instruct Mr. Chiocca to draft and send a letter by Ms. O'Brien, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Kimball passed 5-0.**

3. **Annual Auditor's report- Rob Lynch of MLB**

**NOTE: Item #3 moved to end of agenda.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

4. **Common Vic license transfer-Trueeman's to Sugar B's**

**Item 4 postponed until next meeting at the request of the petitioner.**

5. **~MSBA Green Repair Program Statement of Interest for Jefferson School**  
**~MSBA Green Repair Program Statement of Interest for Memorial School**

**Doric Scarpelli discussed the previous Green Repair Applications Rockland had made to the Massachusetts School Building Authority. Only one of three applications was approved. The application for the Esten School was approved. The BOS were asked to approve sending two Statements of Interest (SOI) to the MSBA for the remaining two elementary schools, the Jefferson and Memorial Park. Mr. Chaffee read both applications for the Jefferson and Memorial Park Schools.**

**~MOTION to approve the applications by Ms. O'Brien, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Kimball passed 5-0.**

**Item #3. *This item was previously moved to end of the agenda.***

**Rob Lynch of the auditing firm Malloy, Lynch, Bienvenue, LLP presented the report to the BOS of the auditing firms finding regarding the state of the Town of Rockland financial situation. The members of the BOS asked numerous questions of Mr. Lynch regarding the report.**

**The BOS accepted the report and requested an update regarding progress implementing recommendations in the audit. Mr. Chiocca requested the BOS approve posting the audit on-line.**

**~MOTION to post the audit on-line by Mr. Johnson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mr. Kimball passed 5-0.**

**Further discussion took place regarding implementation of recommendations and reporting of progress to the BOS.**

**~MOTION to have Mr. Chiocca and Town Accountant Hart report back to the BOS at the March 21, 2010 meeting.**

## **TOWN ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT & CORRESPONDENCE**

**~Reminded all Boards, Commissions, and Departments their annual reports for calendar year 2010 need to be submitted to the BOS office by February 1, for the Annual Town Report.**

**~Announced the Annual Town Election would be held on April 9, 2011 and read the positions to be filled.**

**~Discussed the recent snow storms.**

## **SELECTMAN'S COMMENTS**

*Comments and opinions expressed by individual members do not necessarily reflect the views of all of the BOS and are the opinions and comments of only the individual member.*

### **Mr. Kimball**

- Chose not to discuss the Patriots play-off loss.
- Discussed the recent snow and asked for patience with the plowing crews.
- Mentioned the many positive things happening in Rockland, and at Southfield.

### **Mr. Minahan**

- Discussed presenting the Selectmen's budget recommendations to the Finance Committee.

### **Mr. Johnson**

- Discussed the recent fundraiser for the school PACs.
- Announced he has been asked to join the South Shore Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee.

### **Ms. O'Brien**

- Discussed the groundbreaking at Southfield of the first residential units.

### **Mr. Chaffee**

- Mentioned the Stop and Shop fundraiser for the schools. He then asked Mr. Retchless to explain how the fundraiser works.

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**Allan R. Chiocca, Town Administrator**

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**Deborah A. O'Brien, Vice Chairman**

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